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Associate Professor Dr. Jamil Hj. Hamali
Campus Director

Message from the Campus Director, **UiTM Sarawak**

Let me begin by congratulating everyone at UiTM Sarawak for all the excellent work you have been doing. I am proud to see the remarkably good performance of our students. 18 of our students received the Anugerah Naib Canselor and another 530 students qualified for the Anugerah Dekan. I thank all these students for taking the challenge and also our lecturers who have helped to make this possible.

I am also happy to note the increased involvement of both the academic and support staff in various academic and non-academic activities. Also, Syabas to all the lecturers who were promoted to DM52. I am certain that the promotions will serve to inspire those concerned as well as other lecturers to get more actively involved in research activities and to present and publish more papers and articles as a regular routine. Thank you also for helping UiTM Sarawak win several invention awards at the IID '08 & ITEX '09... and for the achievement in the Intercampus Sports Tournament '09 in Terengganu; I myself together with Dr Firdaus, Shafiq and Narudin managed to come second in the shooting competition!

To the batch of new students, please do your best to maximize the great opportunity that you have seized. Remember that you will become part of the all important human capital that is so essential for the continued progress of the state of Sarawak and also the nation as a whole. For instance, you will become a skilled asset that we must tap in order to ensure the success of the SCORE program in the State. So please work hard and enjoy every minute of your lives at UiTM Sarawak. Study hard but also get actively involved in many of the out-of-classroom activities that are regularly organized for you. We want to help you become well-rounded individuals who will be able to live your professional, social and personal lives effectively and happily.

As for the staff, please continue to take heed at all times the vision and policies of Tan Sri Dato' Seri Vice Chancellor to make UiTM a success story. Also do your part in any way you can both within the campus and outside to help realize the Prime Minister's vision of '1Malaysia'. I also hope to see a significant increase in research activities, publications and seminar presentations. And at the same time please get more actively involved in student activities. Research has shown that greater out-of-class faculty-student interaction has a strong positive impact on student satisfaction and success.

As for the support staff, I am fully aware of your own contributions to the success of the institution. Please continue with your good work, and promotions and awards will surely come your way. Get involved in the training programs available to you and keep adding value to your professional abilities and skills. Remember that you are an integral part of this campus and all our achievements.

To conclude this message, remember that every one of you is an equally important part of our whole system. No one is less important than anyone else. This is, in fact, the underlying philosophy of the 1Malaysia concept. So, let's together march forward as a team in our quest to help achieve excellence in all areas and at all times so as to make UiTM Sarawak and UiTM in general good, better and the best.

Remember: 'People first, performance now'. Thank you.

Dari Meja Editor



Aida Kipli

Dear all,

We're back! My greatest gratitude and appreciation to all my editorial team members for their effort and hard work in ensuring the latest edition of Info Kampus published with its latest design concepts. No doubt we are behind schedule, but we are happy to be able to publish every article submitted. Thank you to all the contributors. I believe the latest designs and layout of this Info Kampus are simply fabulous. It is great that we can present new ideas and concepts in every edition. The reports on activities conducted by both the staff and students of UiTM Sarawak showed that we were actively involved in various activities organised within or outside our campus. We invite more news on events and activities conducted for the next publication. We welcome any comments from the readers to further improve our Info Kampus. Enjoy reading and may you life be blessed.

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UiTM Sarawak Conference 2008 was a Success

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As Malaysia joins the rest of the world in moving towards a knowledge-based economy, its main responsibility lies in the development of human capital to produce an adequate supply of intellectual and skilled workforce. UiTM as an institution of higher learning has an important role to play in providing the professional manpower to meet the human resource needs of the country. This was emphasised by YB Datin Fatimah Abdullah, Assistant Minister in the Chief Minister's Department during the launching of the UiTM Sarawak Conference at the university campus in Kota Samarahan on 2 December 2008.



YB Datin Fatimah Abdullah was presented with the Conference Proceedings "Advancing towards International Standing" by PM Dr. Jamil Hj. Hamali after launching the UiTM Sarawak Conference 2008, as PM Dr. Fatimah Bujang looked on.

Themed "Advancing towards International Standing", the two-day conference was attended by around 260 lecturers and heads of sections and units from the University branch campuses. There were 32 papers from both academic and non-academic tracks presented during the Conference. According to organising chairman Dr. Song Saw Imm, the main objective of the Conference was to discuss issues related to the development of the university and to determine the strategies needed for the university to achieve world class excellence.

UiTM Sarawak Director, Associate Professor Dr. Jamil Haji Hamali, reiterated that the Conference served as a platform to study problems and issues faced by the different departments in UiTM Sarawak. "Identifying the problems faced by each and every department will enable us to find solutions and discover strategies to help us solve the different problems encountered," he said.

A number of resolutions pertaining to Staff Development, Student Development, Institutional Development, Maintenance and Facility Enhancement were drawn up and presented during the second day.

Ten of the papers presented during the Conference were recommended for publication in the Special Issue of Jurnal Akademik - UiTM Sarawak Academic Journal:

1. Administrative Information System (AIS) of the Quality Management Unit of UiTM Sarawak
2. Nurturing a Writing Culture in UiTM Sarawak
3. Lecturers' and Students' Perceptions on the Teaching and Learning of Calculus: A Case Study of UiTM Sarawak 2008
4. Accountancy as the Next Academic Pursuit: Diploma in Accountancy (DIA) Sarawak Students' Perception
5. A Study to Assess Students' Perception of the Campus Climate in UiTM Sarawak
6. Internet Usage Among the Administrative Staff of UiTM Sarawak
7. Service Quality Determinants and Customer Satisfaction: A Pilot Study on Students' Perspective towards the Service Provided by Front Line Personnel (support staff group 2) of UiTM Sarawak Samarahan
8. Examination Invigilation System - An Online Approach
9. Gangguan Seksual: Satu Tinjauan Perspektif di Kalangan Pelajar dan Staf UiTM Sarawak (UiTMS)



The Conference concluded with the presentation of awards to three categories - Best Published Paper, Best Presentation (Academic Track) and Best Presentation for the Non-Academic track. Co-writers Nor Hazizah bt Julaihi, Tang Howe Eng and Voon Li Li won the Best Published Paper award whilst Lee Beng Yong and Adeline Engkamat won the Best Presentation award for the Academic and Non-Academic tracks respectively.

Professor Dr. Mohamad Kamal Haji Harun, Deputy Vice Chancellor of UiTM Malaysia, officiated the closing ceremony and congratulated UiTM Sarawak for taking the initiative to organise the Conference in line with the University's aspiration to attain world-class status. He added that UiTM has always encouraged research among its academic staff and that UiTM has obtained various awards locally and internationally in researches and innovations and this is proof of its world-class standards.

Participants are engrossed with the presentation of papers during the UiTM Sarawak Conference 2008 that was held at Dewan Jubli, Samarahan Campus.



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